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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/CN2003/000335	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 9 May 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 9 May 2003
TITLE OF INVENTION METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR OPTIMIZING MULTIPLEX PCR PRIMERS		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Shengce TAO et al.		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
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<p>Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:</p> <p>11. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</p> <p>12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</p> <p>13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment. (3 pages)</p> <p>14. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. (2 pages)</p> <p>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</p> <p>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</p> <p>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 – 1.825.</p> <p>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</p> <p>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</p>		

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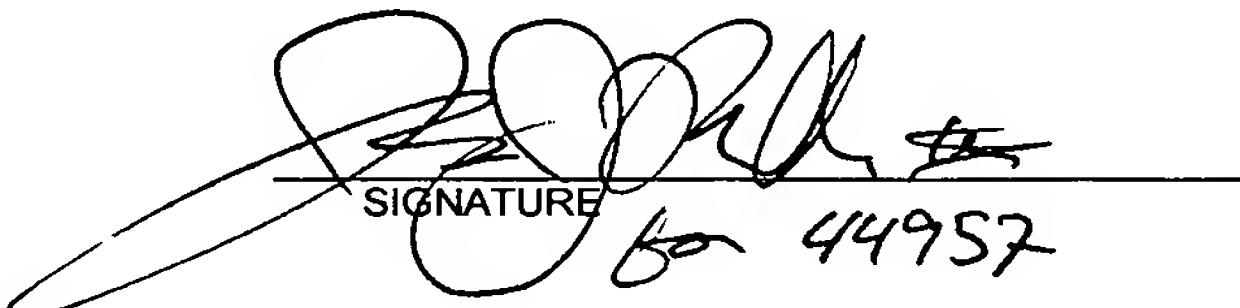
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